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REMARKS

Applicants response to the Restriction Requirement filed July 3, 2006 was deemed non-responsive as the amended claims presented in the response were suggested to be drawn to non-elected Group II. Therefore, in an earnest effort to advance the prosecution of this case and in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, Applicants recant their election of Group I and elect Group II, claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 16, 19, 20, and 21, which were amended in the July 3, 2006 response to be drawn to a method for use of a peptide of a rhesus protein in a subject, thus now reading upon the invention of Group II. This election is made with traverse.

Reconsideration and rejoinder of Group III, claim 22 is respectfully requested in light of arguments presented in the July 3, 2006 response. In particular, Applicants believe that the claims, as amended in the July 3, 2006 response, are clearly linked by a single general inventive concept, in particular prevention of or immunosuppression of a response elicited by alloimmunisation.

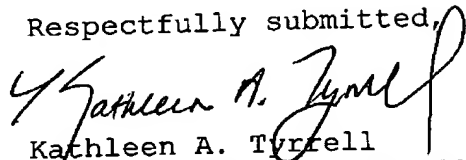
Applicants believe the amendment filed on July 3, 2006 renders moot all other arguments with respect to Groups I and IV.

Applicants believe that the foregoing comprises a full and complete response to the Office Action of record.

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Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and subsequent allowance of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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